

M I N U T E S  
December 29, 2004  
9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Marilyn Showalter, Chairwoman  
Richard Hemstad, Commissioner  
Pat Oshie, Commissioner

The regular meeting of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission was called to order on Wednesday, December 29, 2004, by Marilyn Showalter

E)1. 1-000 Consent Agenda

Disposition: Commissioner Oshie moved to approve the consent agenda and direct the Secretary to sign orders and/or letters necessary to affect each action. Commissioner Hemstad seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0).

UTILITIES

A)1. 1-12 Docket Number UT-043121 Hood Canal Telephone Co., Inc. dba: Hood Canal Communications Request for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier for the Qwest exchanges of Belfair, Hoodspport, and Shelton. Petition

Appearances: Bob Shirley, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Oshie moved to designate the company as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) for the areas described by the exchange boundaries for Belfair, Hoodspport, and Shelton exchanges operated by Qwest Corporation. Commissioner Hemstad seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)2. Docket Number UT-043120 Petition of Sprint Corporation to amend certification as an eligible telecommunications carrier. Petition

This item has been moved to the Consent Agenda.

A)3. Docket Number UW-041985 Kala Point Utility Company General rate increase of \$36,110 (16.13 percent) of annual revenue. This filing is to recover the increased investment (meter installations and new vehicles) and operating cost experienced by the Company since its last filing in 2001. The

average customer impact is expected to be \$6.75 per month. The Company serves approximately 492 customers south of Port Townsend in Jefferson County. Tariff Revision

This item has been withdrawn

A)4. 1-33 Docket Number UW-042069 American Water Resources, Inc. General rate increase of \$56,669 (9.88 percent) annually. This filing is to recover the increased operating cost experienced by the Company since its last filing in 2001. The average customer impact is expected to be \$3.16 per month. The Company serves approximately 1,500 customers in Thurston, Lewis, and Pierce Counties. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Jim Ward, staff

The Commission took no action on the filing, thereby allowing the filing to become effective by process of law.

A)5. 1-69 Docket Number UW-042132 Roche Harbor Water System Roche Harbor filed to implement a new and additional Improvement Charge. This additional charge would apply to new water customers connecting for the first time. The graduated additional charge ranges from \$3,000 for ¾ inch service, \$5,010 for 1-inch, \$9,990 for 1 ½ inch, \$15,990 for 2 inch, \$30,000 for 3 inch & \$50,100 for a 4 inch service. The Company states that revenues raised from this filing will be used to fund improvements such as new mains and tanks. The company serves approximately 370 residential customers on San Juan Island. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Jim Ward, staff; Richard Finnigan, Atty., Roche Harbor Water System

Disposition: Commissioner Oshie moved to issue a Complaint and Order suspending the tariff revisions. Commissioner Hemstad seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0).

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Attested by \_\_\_\_\_

Carole J. Washburn, Secretary